

## Coeur d'Alene Tribe Early Childhood Learning Center

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Director Office of Child Care 330 C ST SW, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Washington, DC 20201

Dear OCC Director:

This letter describes how the Coeur d'Alene Tribe plans to use the Child Care and Development Funds (CCDF) awarded under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA). We understand that this description will be used for the purpose of informing the Office of Child Care, Administration for Children and Families and Congress how our Lead Agency anticipates using the funds to support the child care needs in our jurisdiction.

We plan to use CRRSA funds for activities in the following categories:

## 1. Direct Services/Subsidies

Our program plans to assess our community to provide childcare subsidy assistance to families with native children who are health care sector employees, emergency responders, sanitation workers, farm and food service workers and/or other workers deemed essential or frontline during the response to coronavirus.

## 2. Implementation of Virus Mitigation Policies and Practices

Our program plans to purchase a portable modular with a minimum of two classroom spaces to promote social distancing. We also plan to purchase backpack sanitizing fog machines for in-home licensed daycares and for use with our childcare wrap-around services, sanitation pads for footwear, humidifiers, cleaning supplies, and personal protective equipment for in-home providers.

## 3. Grants or Assistance (Other than Subsidies) to Stabilize Child Care Providers

Our program plans to provide mini grants for CCDF-eligible licensed in-home providers, which includes supplies for in-home providers to increase quality such as education materials, training, resources, diapers and wipes. We also plan to recruit additional community members to open family child care businesses and assist them with items needed for start-up.

4. Assistance to Providers Not Participating in the Subsidy System Prior to the Pandemic
As mentioned previously, start up grant and supplies for new eligible CCDF providers; subsidy to
CCDF-eligible child care providers caring for children of health care sector employees, emergency
responders, sanitation workers, farm and food service workers and/or other workers deemed
essential or frontline during the response to coronavirus that were not participating prior to the